

The United States Investment in Lithuania

Snapshot

- The United States is the nineteenth largest source of FDI in Lithuania. At the end of 2012, American investment stock totaled 168.1 million USD, accounting for approximately 1.1% of total FDI. As of the end of 2012, cumulative FDI in Lithuania amounted to 41.2 billion LTL (15.3 billion USD), a year-on-year increase of 1.1 billion USD (8.1%). FDI per capita amounted to 4,722 USD.
- In 2012, the U.S. imports to Lithuania accounted for 324.9 million USD. The U.S. largely imported vehicles, parts and supplies.
- There are about 134 U.S. companies doing business in Lithuania, and about 500 U.S. companies have representatives in the country. In 2012, U.S. investors created the most jobs of all foreign investors in Lithuania.
- The U.S. investors are interested in Lithuania's quick recovery from the economic downturn, low business cost, educated employees with a relatively good knowledge of foreign languages, and a relevant geographic location. The most attractive Lithuania's investment sectors are energy, transport, innovation and health.

The largest U.S. investors in Lithuania

- Thermo Fisher (biotechnology)
 290 mln USD investment and more than 430 jobs created.
- Moog Inc. (medical devices)
 200 mln USD investment and 100 jobs created.
- Philip Morris (tobacco products)
 130 mln USD investment and over
 430 jobs created.
- Kraft (confectionary)
 60 mln USD investment, 300.000
 USD funding of local social programs and 550 jobs created.

U.S. and Lithuania have signed and ratified the following agreements and treaties

- A charter of partnership between the United States, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania;
- A bilateral investment treaty that ensures reciprocal investment protection and encourages additional investment;
- Treaty on avoidance of double taxation;
- Treaty on legal assistance in criminal matters;
- Extradition treaty;
- · Agreement on social security; and
- Agreement on cooperation in preventing proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and promotion of defense and military relations.